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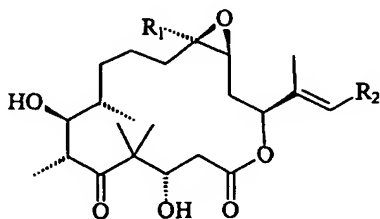
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides a synthesis for the  
preparation of epothilone derivatives of formula (9) wherein R1 is  
methyl, and R2 has the meaning of an unsubstituted or substituted  
aryl, an unsubstituted or substituted heteroaryl or an unsubstituted  
or substituted heterocyclic radical fused to a benzene nucleus, and  
salts thereof, and intermediates for the synthesis of a compound of  
formula (9).